

August 29, 2017

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council

FROM: Mayor Jackie Meck, Buckeye, Chair

SUBJECT: ADDENDUM TO THE AUGUST 30, 2017, MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL AGENDA

An addendum to the August 30, 2017, MAG Regional Council agenda has been prepared to provide for an amendment to the FY 2018 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to accept a \$56,000 grant to support the Sun Corridor Export Program. Please contact the MAG office if you have questions about the addendum to the agenda.

**ITEM PROPOSED FOR CONSENT\***

- \*5J. Amendment to the FY 2018 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Accept Grant Funding to Support the Sun Corridor Export Program

On May 24, 2017, the MAG Regional Council approved the FY 2018 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget. On August 28, 2017, the Federal Highway Administration notified the Maricopa Association of Governments and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) that a grant of \$56,000 has been awarded to support exporting and freight activity in the Sun Corridor. The grant includes a 20 percent match requirement. The project will build on the success of MAG's freight planning efforts and the Export Recognition Program launched in 2017 with partners in the Sun Corridor. The grant funding will support an assessment of best practices and barriers to exporting goods and services, an event to highlight successes, and a report detailing strategies to increase freight efficiency and exporting. Funds may also be used to secure the assistance of one or more consultants to support these activities. Activities are estimated to begin in October 2017 and culminate by September 2018. The funds will be accepted by the Arizona Department of Transportation and must be obligated by September 14, 2017.

- 5J. Approval of an amendment to the FY 2018 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to accept a \$56,000 grant to support the Sun Corridor Export Program.

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